

In re Application of: **Andersen, M.**) Group Art Unit: 1637
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Serial No.: **10/723,520**) Examiner: Pande, S.
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Polynucleotides)
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Request to Withdraw Appeal and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences
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Sir:

A Notice of Appeal for the above-referenced application was filed on January 7, 2009. Appellants do not wish to continue to pursue the current Appeal at this time, but reserve their right to do so upon further consideration of the USPTO's decision as to the patentability or unpatentability the present application. Consequently, Appellants request that the pending Appeal be withdrawn from consideration by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences as of today's date, August 7, 2009.

Applicants wish to have prosecution of the application reopened, and have filed this same day a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, accompanied by a submission responsive to the last outstanding Office action and the corresponding fee set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided with this electronic filing. However, if additional fees are due, or if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fees that are required are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-3994.